



TOWN OF LOOMIS
ACTION MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS TOWN HALL
6140 HORSESHOE BAR ROAD, SUITE K
LOOMIS, CA 95650

TUESDAY

MARCH 17, 2009

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Call to order by Mayor Scherer at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Scherer
Councilmember Kelley
Councilmember Liss
Councilmember Ucovich

Absent:

Councilmember Morillas

All items on the agenda will be open for public comment before final action is taken. Speakers are requested to restrict comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within a five-minute time limit. The Mayor has the discretion of limiting the total discussion time for an item.

Written Material Introduced Into the Record: Citizens wishing to introduce written material into the record at the public hearing on any item are requested to provide a copy of the written material to the Town Clerk prior to the public hearing date so that the material may be distributed to the Town Council prior to the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT: This time is reserved for those in the audience who wish to address the Town Council on subjects that are not on the Agenda. The audience should be aware that the Council may not discuss details or vote on non-agenda items. Your concerns may be referred to staff or placed on the next available agenda. Please note that comments from the public will also be taken on any item on the agenda. The time allotted to each speaker is five minutes. No public comment.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made to adopt the Agenda. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded By Councilmember Liss and passed by voice vote.

BUSINESS

1. **Del Oro Swim Pool Operation Subsidy**

Denean Swenson requests that Council consider subsidizing the 2009 Swim Pool program at Del Oro High School because the program does not have a sponsor

Recommended action: Hear proposal and decide on the merits

Public comment:

Denean Swenson stated that Del Oro High School is charging a janitorial fee of \$26 a day and the Loomis Dolphins are paying \$60 an hour to rent the pool.

Ben Emert pointed out that the Loomis Dolphins use the pool in the morning from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and after that the school Water Polo team uses the pool.

Mayor Scherer questioned why the fee needs to be so high when it has to be heated for the Water Polo team.

Councilmember Ucovich pointed out that there is a lot of water that needs to be heated and can be very expensive.

Councilmember Liss asked if there could be volunteer lifeguards?

Ms. Swenson stated the following:

- she has several connections with people that are interested and can get certified over the spring break
- she was told that the phone rings all the time when the Dolphins are there with people asking where there are swimming lessons available
- she plans on advertising through the grammar schools by sending flyers home with the children

Ben Emert stated the following:

- he use to be a lifeguard and a swim instructor at the Del Oro pool
- there are a lot of people he knows that are looking for summer jobs, some are existing lifeguards and some have not been certified yet
- he doesn't believe any of them would do it on a volunteer basis
- to advertise, they use to put a sign on Taylor Road posting the pool hours
- for swimming lessons they use to have about 20 in a session for half an hour with 4 or 5 instructors

Nancy Beck stated the following:

- when she use to manage the pool they would have 10 per session with 2 instructors
- in the evenings they had season memberships for family swim that was very successfully and helped with the cost

Perry suggested looking into sponsorships from local businesses.

Mayor Scherer asked if Roger Carroll could be available in the next couple of weeks to meet with the school to see what they are allocating for the costs and try to negotiate a better price .

Roger Carroll, Town Finance Director, stated the following:

- recreational coverage is covered under the Town Memorandum of Coverage through SCORE, we are covered to 40 million dollars
- he will find out what the incremental cost is before 3 p.m. and if they are paying exactly the same whether they use it or not
- right now they are getting nothing for the time that it is not being used
- if we can give them a certain amount per hour, that would add to their marginal income.

Councilmember Liss stated the following:

- suggested having swimming lessons, use of the pool, and more advertising to help increase revenue
- asked if the rent could be waived
- suggested trying to get some evenings for family swimming
- he agrees with having staff meet with the school
- we need to find out what the incremental costs are, than he could support it

Perry Beck pointed out that the Town would have to hire people for this job.

Councilmember Ucovich stated that staff will need a cash register and there will need to be some checks and balances.

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:

- he talked with Bud Noboli, Loomis School District, and he said they have no money in the General Fund for this
- Recreation has to support itself
- the County put money into the pool to take care of the facility but they did not get into funding programs, it doesn't always go well
- he cannot support this without a business plan

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:

- in Roseville they had one instructor and one free aid for 10 people
- they also had a Family Night at the Johnson pool that was very successful
- he would rather have 50 kids paying a dollar then raising the entrance fee, if the Town has the money

Mayor Scherer asked Mr. Carroll if he could work with these people and the school district to come up with a solid business plan and with a maximum of \$20,000, but he would like to see it much less than that.

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to approve a maximum of \$20,000 reserves, a business plan needs to be in place, and look into decreasing costs. On motion by Mayor Scherer , seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Liss, Scherer, Ucovich

Noes: Kelley

Absent: Morillas

Mayor Scherer asked the applicants to find a way to survey the grammar schools for swimming lessons, get a confirm number of lifeguards that will be working at the pool, and to stay in touch with Mr. Carroll on the status.

Councilmember Kelley pointed out that we will need a good marketing plan for this.

Nancy Beck suggested going to the Penryn and Newcastle schools also.

2. Business Retention, Improvement and Recruitment Fund

Consider how interest rates will be set on loans from the Business Retention, Improvement and Recruitment Fund

Recommended action: Discuss and decide how Council wishes to handle interest rates on Loans

Public comment:

No public comment.

Councilmember Ucovich stated they need to encourage businesses that bring in retail sales.

Mayor Scherer pointed out the following:

- limiting to just sales tax businesses can have its limitations
- there are services to the residents (such as a barber shop, etc.) that should be included
- they need to have a schedule/guidelines, that says if it is job producing, secured, unsecured, sales tax, etc.

Councilmember Liss suggested starting with prime +3 and ask the loan committee to come back with other options that could be advertised.

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:

- he would like to see a schedule based on secured and non-secured (sliding scale)
- there should be an outline of what our requirements are going to be, so it will be clear

Staff has been given direction and this will be continued to April 14, 2009.

3. **Town Hall Planning** (Continued from March 10, 2009)

TC 3/10/09

The Council sub-committee and staff have developed a one story renovation idea to carry out at the new Town Hall in order to allow moving from the current Town Hall

Recommended action: Approve \$126,500 from the Community Facilities Fund to pay for costs noted in the report

Public comment:

Perry Beck, Town Manager, pointed out that the electric, plumbing and HVAC are the areas of concern at the Town Hall building.

Mayor Scherer stated he would like the exterior renovation (paint color) kept the same.

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:

- we need to look at the cost for maintenance on a regular basis
- we may need money for the roof

Councilmember Liss pointed out that the Planning area should have public access for viewing of the historical room.

Nancy Beck, 6304 David Avenue, stated the following:


- she is glad they are talking about the historical aspect
- years ago, Dave Tucker with Placer County Historical Society, helped document the building as historical
- asked to keep the exterior painted with the same colors and not to change it

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to approve \$126,500 from the Community Facilities Fund to pay for the costs and directed staff to have a plaque made with the history of the building.

Councilmember Kelley asked to have on the next agenda, a proclamation proclaiming "2010 Census Partner Day" in the Town of Loomis.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scherer stated there was no further business and adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Mayor



Town Clerk